In the Claims

Please amend the claims presented during the international phase as follows.

Applicant presents a full set of claims showing markups of the claims with insertions and deletions indicated by underlining and strikethrough text (or double bracketing), respectively.

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1.-11. (Canceled)

12. (Original) A method for treating cancer, comprising

administering to a subject having a cancer characterized by reduced or absent LKB1 activity an effective amount of a compound that increases AMP-activated protein kinase (AMPK) activity in (cells of) the subject.

13.-16. (Canceled)

17. The method of claim 12, wherein the compound is metformin or an analog or derivative thereof that increases AMPK activity.

18.-20. (Canceled)

- 21. The method of claim 12, wherein the reduction of LKB1 activity is due to the mutation or deletion of the LKB1 gene.
- 22. The method of claim 12, further comprising subjecting the cancer (cells) of the subject to a cell death stimulus.

23.-30. (Canceled)

31. (Original) A method for promoting apoptosis of cells having reduced or absent LKB1 activity, comprising

contacting the cells with a compound that is an activator of AMP-activated protein kinase (AMPK).

32.-35. (Canceled)

36. The method of claim 31, wherein the compound is metformin or an analog or derivative thereof that increases AMPK activity.

37.-39. (Canceled)

40. (Original) The method of claim 31, wherein the reduction of LKB1 activity is due to the mutation or deletion of the LKB1 gene.

41.-70. (Canceled)

- 71. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the analog of metformin is phenformin.
- 72. (New) The method of claim 36, wherein the analog of metformin is phenformin.